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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application of: Stivland et al

Examiner in immediately preceding  
parent case: Lam, A.

Serial No.: 09/178,126



Anticipated Group Art Unit: 3763

Filed: October 23, 1998

Docket No.: 1001.1294101

For: CATHETER HAVING IMPROVED BONDING REGION

**CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION 37 CFR 1.53(d)**

Box CPA  
Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

I. This is a request for a filing under the Continued Prosecution Application procedure, 37 CFR 1.53(d), for a continuing application of prior complete application Serial No. 09/178,126, filed on October 23, 1998.

1. Title, as originally filed, CATHETER HAVING IMPROVED BONDING REGION, and as last amended, \_\_\_\_\_.

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.10)**

I hereby certify that this CPA transmittal and the documents referred to as being attached therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date January 29, 2001 in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" mailing Label Number EL595467721US addressed to the: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Box CPA, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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2. Name of applicants (as originally filed and as last amended) and current correspondence address of applicant:

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The above application is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. Please use all the contents of the prior application, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application.

It is understood that secrecy under 35 U.S.C. 122 is hereby waived to the extent that, if information or access is available to any one of the applications in the file wrapper of a 37 CFR 1.53 application, be it either this application or a prior application in the same file wrapper, the PTO may provide similar information or access to all the other applications in the same file wrapper.

## II. Inventorship Statement

This application discloses and claims only subject matter disclosed in the prior application whose particulars are set out above, and the inventors in this application are the same.

## III. Declaration or Oath

None required, as such was filed in the parent case identified above.

## IV. Identification of Claims for Further Prosecution

The fees to be charged are to be based on the number of claims remaining as a result of the:

claims as pending, which are now repeated.

## V. Fee Calculation

CLAIMS FOR FEE CALCULATION			
Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee \$710.00
Total Claims 48 -20=	28 X	\$ 18.00	504.00
Independent Claims 3 -3=	0 X	\$ 80.00	0.00
Multiple dependent claims, if any		\$270.00	0.00
— The fee for extra claims is not being paid at this time.			\$1214.00
Filing fee calculation			

**VI. Method of Payment of Fees**

Attached is a check in the amount of \$ 1214.00.

**VII. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees which may be required by this paper and during the pendency of this application to Account No. 50-0413.

**VIII. Power of Attorney**

The power of attorney in the prior application is to Crompton, Seager & Tufte, LLC.

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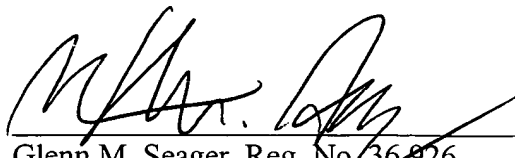
**IX.** A petition (copy enclosed) and fee have been filed to extend the term in the pending prior application until January 29, 2001.

**X. Abandonment of Prior Application**

Please abandon the prior application at a time while the prior application is pending and when this application is granted a filing date so as to make this application copending with said prior application.

Date

Jan. 29, 2001

  
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